been purchased. My question is whether there was sufficient stock of medicine for the Veterinary Inspectors to cope with the work.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—At the time it was quite sufficient.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The fact is that serum is not available. We cannot get it very easily and we cannot keep a large stock.

156. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) what are the preventive measures adopted by the Cochin Veterinary Department against cattle epidemics and how far they have been successful;

(b) do the Government get down anti-haemorrhagic septicemia serum and inoculate it;

(c) what is the medicine other than the serum that is being used for inoculation;

(d) do the Veterinary Department inoculate acid carbolic lotion as preventive against haemorrhagic septicemia, anthrax rinder pest and foot and mouth disease;

(e) has it any effective preventive action and for how many days;

(f) has any one protested against inoculating it;

(g) is the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats in a position to state the extent of cattle mortality in the State in the months of Edavam to Karkadagam 1103 and Chingam 1104;

(h) in view of the wide-spread and virulent cattle disease in the above months has the Government done anything to strengthen its Veterinary force or otherwise take measures to give greater Veterinary aid?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The Member is referred to the answer to question No. 155, parts 2 to 10.

Audit report of the offices of the Conservator of Forests and the Divisional Forest Officers

157. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House copies of the audit report of the offices, etc., of the Conservator of Forests and the Divisional Officers submitted by the audit staff in 1103 subsequent to the period for which copies were placed on the Table in the last Budget Session of 1103?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—Copies of the audit reports of the offices of the Conservator of Forests and Northern Divisional Forest Officer for the 2nd quarter of 1103 are placed on the Council Table. The audit report of the office of the Southern

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Divisional Forest Officer for the 1st quarter of 1103 is only under consideration and cannot be placed at this stage.

158. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House the report on the local audit of the accounts of the Divisional Forest Office, Southern Division, for the 1st quarter of 1103 with the connected report on the accounts of the Conservator's Office?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—The Member is referred to the answer to question No. 157.

Holding of Natural Science Examination and the purchase of furniture for G. T. School, Trichur.

159. Mr. A. B. Salem.—(1) Will the Director of Public Instruction be pleased to state the date on which the B. A. Examination in Natural Science was conducted in the Ernakulam College in 1103;

(2) the date on which 10 microscopes and a dozen dissecting lenses were ordered for use in the laboratory;

(3) the nature of the urgency for the purchase of furniture and tools for the Government Trades School, Trichur; and the date or dates on which they were purchased?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(1) The Written Examination was conducted from 24th to 28th March 1928 and the Practical Examination from 10th to 17th April 1928.

(2) They were ordered on the 27th March and 7th February 1928, respectively.

(3) The original idea was to shift the G. T. School to the new buildings towards the close of 1103 and to equip the new building with all articles of furniture, looms and machinery. No furniture was purchased since the shifting had to be postponed.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—May I know, Sir, whether they were ordered from England or locally?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I cannot say just now whether they were ordered from England or elsewhere.

President.—We do not make the purchase.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—About half a dozen were brought from Changanasseri and a few were purchased.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—With reference to answer to subdivision (3), I may state that, on 2nd July 1928, in the Statement placed on the Table of the House under section 16 (9) under 'Education' XVIII—Maharaja's College, a sum of Rs. 3,000 is found to have been sanctioned for the purchase of microscopes and lenses for the examination in Natural Science and for the equipment of the laboratory for the students from Travancore, 30 in all. To get down the necessary 10 micros-

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